

at Law No. 1, and of the judge of the county court of Dallas County at Law No. 2, and prescribe the method of payment,"

And find the same correctly engrossed.
PRICE, Vice-Chairman.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, February 22, 1923.

Hon. R. E. Seagler, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Engrossed Bills have carefully examined and compared

H. B. No. 585, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Section 1, Chapter 6, of the Acts of the Regular Session of the Thirty-fourth Legislature, so as to change the time and terms of holding the district court in the Seventy-eighth Judicial District of Texas, composed of Wichita county; to validate all process heretofore issued, bonds and recognizances heretofore taken in the courts of said district, and all judgments therein rendered or to be rendered; repealing all laws in conflict therewith, and declaring an emergency,"

And find the same correctly engrossed.
PRICE, Vice-Chairman.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, February 22, 1923.

Hon. R. E. Seagler, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Engrossed Bills have carefully examined and compared

H. B. No. 570, A bill to be entitled "An Act changing and enlarging the boundaries of the Elmo Independent School District in Kaufman county, and providing for an election to adjust the territory thus added, to taxes which may be now levied upon the property of said Elmo Independent School District and for an assumption by said Elmo Independent School District of the pro rata of taxes to which the territory thus added to said Elmo Independent School District by this act may be subject by reason of any outstanding bond issue or bond issues previously voted by any school district or school districts of which such added territory may have heretofore formed part; defining the powers of said Elmo Independent School District, and declaring an emergency,"

And find the same correctly engrossed.
PRICE, Vice-Chairman.

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, February 22, 1923.

Hon. R. E. Seagler, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Engrossed Bills have carefully examined and compared

H. B. No. 608, A bill to be entitled "An Act to create the Carta Valley Independent School District in Edwards and Val Verde counties, Texas; providing a board of trustees therefor, vesting said trustees with all the rights, powers, privileges and duties conferred upon independent school districts incorporated under the general laws of Texas; providing that the board of trustees of the existing school in said district shall continue to act as such until their successors are elected in accordance with the general laws of Texas, and declaring an emergency,"

And find the same correctly engrossed.
PRICE, Vice-Chairman.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, February 23, 1923.

Hon. R. E. Seagler, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Engrossed Bills have carefully examined and compared

H. B. No. 254, A bill to be entitled "An Act fixing in counties having a population in excess of one hundred and fifty thousand inhabitants the compensation of district attorneys and providing for the appointment of assistant district attorneys, investigators, stenographers, deputies and other employes, and providing for their salaries and the manner of their payment, and repealing all laws in conflict herewith, with exceptions, and declaring an emergency,"

And find the same correctly engrossed.
DINKLE, Chairman.

THIRTY-THIRD DAY.

(Friday, February 23, 1923.)

The House met at 10:40 o'clock a. m., pursuant to adjournment, and was called to order by Speaker Seagler.

The roll was called and the following members were present:

Abney.	Avis.
Amsler.	Baker of Orange.
Arnold.	Baldwin.
Atkinson.	Barker.

Barrett.	Lewis.
Beasley.	Loftin.
Bell.	Looney.
Blount.	McBride.
Bobbitt.	McDaniel.
Bonham.	McDonald.
Brady.	McFarlane.
Bryant.	McKean.
Burmeister.	McNatt.
Cable.	Martin.
Carpenter	Mathes.
of Dallas.	Maxwell.
Carpenter	Melson.
of Matagorda.	Merriman.
Carson.	Merritt.
Carter of Coke.	Miller.
Chitwood.	Montgomery.
Coffee.	Moore.
Collins.	Morgan
Covey.	of Liberty.
Cowen.	Pate.
Crawford.	Patman.
Culp.	Perdue.
Davenport.	Pinkston.
Davis.	Pool.
DeBerry.	Pope.
Dielmann.	Potter.
Dinkle.	Price.
Dodd.	Purl.
Downs.	Quaid.
Driggers.	Quinn.
Duffey.	Rice.
Dunlap.	Robinson.
Dunn.	Rogers.
Durham.	Rountree.
Edwards.	Rowland.
Faubion.	Russell of Trinity.
Fields.	Sackett.
Finlay.	Sanford.
Frnka.	Satterwhite.
Fugler.	Shearer.
Gipson.	Shires.
Greer.	Simpson.
Hardin of Erath.	Smith.
Harrington.	Sparkman.
Harris.	Stell.
Henderson	Stewart
of Marion.	of Edwards.
Henderson	Stewart of Jasper.
of McLennan.	Stewart of Reeves.
Hendricks.	Storey.
Houston.	Stroder.
Howeth.	Sweet.
Hughes.	Teer.
Irwin.	Thompson.
Jacks.	Thrasher.
Jennings.	Vaughan.
Johnson.	Wallace.
Jones.	Wells.
Kemble.	Westbrook.
Lackey.	Wessels.
Laird.	Williamson.
Lamb.	Wilmans.
Lane.	Wilson.
LeMaster.	Winfree.
LeSturgeon.	Young.

Absent.

Bird. Green.

Absent—Excused.

Baker of Milam.	Patterson.
Carter of Hays.	Russell
Hardin	of Callahan.
of Kaufman.	Stevens.
Hull.	Stiernberg.
Lusk.	Strickland.
Morgan	Turner.
of Robertson.	

A quorum was announced present.

Prayer was offered by Rev. J. C. Mitchell, Chaplain.

LEAVES OF ABSENCE GRANTED.

The following members were granted leaves of absence on account of important business:

Mr. Turner, for today, on motion of Mr. Shearer.

Mr. Baker of Milam, for today, on motion of Mr. Baker of Orange.

Mr. Hull, for today, on motion of Mr. Brady.

The following members were granted leaves of absence on account of sickness:

Mr. Morgan of Robertson, for today and tomorrow, on motion of Mr. Robinson.

Mr. Hardin of Kaufman, for today and tomorrow, on motion of Mr. Jones.

Mr. Stevens, for today, on motion of Mr. Laird.

HOUSE BILLS ON FIRST READING.

The following House bills, introduced today, were laid before the House, read severally first time and referred to the appropriate committees, as follows:

By Mr. Quaid:

H. B. No. 631, A bill to be entitled "An Act to regulate the killing of deer in the counties of Culberson, Hudspeth and El Paso; defining offenses and prescribing penalties for the violation thereof, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Game and Fisheries.

By Mr. Stewart of Reeves:

H. B. No. 632, A bill to be entitled "An Act to regulate the killing of deer in the counties of Reeves, Pecos, Jeff Davis; defining offenses and prescribing

penalties for the violation thereof, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Game and Fisheries.

By Mr. Durham and Mr. Jones:

H. B. No. 633, A bill to be entitled "An Act making it an offense for any person to kill, take or have in his possession wild quail within the period of five years from the passage of this act in the counties of Medina, Uvalde, Zavala, Dimmit, Kinney or Val Verde; prescribing penalties for the violation of this act, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Game and Fisheries.

By Mr. Jones:

H. B. No. 634, A bill to be entitled "An Act to regulate the killing of deer in the counties of Terrell, Val Verde and Kinney; defining offenses and prescribing penalties for the violation thereof, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Game and Fisheries.

By Mr. Durham:

H. B. No. 635, A bill to be entitled "An Act to regulate the killing of deer in the counties of Uvalde, Medina, Zavala and Dimmit; defining offenses and prescribing for the violation thereof, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Game and Fisheries.

By Mr. Bonham:

H. B. No. 636, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Section 1, Chapter 65, Acts of the Thirty-sixth Legislature, Second Called Session, providing for the dissolution of consolidated school districts by majority vote of the qualified voters of the district at an election held for that purpose, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Education.

By Mr. Avis and Mr. Gipson:

H. B. No. 637, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Section 2 of Chapter 85 of the Local and Special Laws of the State of Texas passed at the Second Called Session of the Thirty-sixth Legislature, being 'An Act creating a more efficient road system for Wichita county, Texas, and making the county commissioners of said county ex-officio road commissioners and prescribing their

duties as such; providing for the compensation of such road commissioners and defining the powers and duties of such county commissioners; providing for the maintenance of such part or parts of national and State highways as are in Wichita county; providing for the construction and maintenance of such highways through the corporate limits of incorporated cities and towns in said district; providing for the employment of a county road superintendent and defining the duties of such road superintendent; providing when the commissioners court of said county shall order an election for the issuance of bonds for the improvement of public roads, such bonds must be designated in said order; providing for the maintenance of roads constructed with the proceeds of the sale of such bonds; providing for the compensation of county treasury for handling funds arising from said land sales; providing the character of construction to be used for such roads; providing for eminent domain, making it optional for Wichita county to proceed to condemn land under railroad condemnation statute or to act under general law relative to opening public roads by jury of view; providing for the employment of convicts on county roads; authorizing the commissioners court to order railway companies to ditch or drain along their rights of way in such manner as to prevent injury to the public highways; providing for liability to the county for damages resulting from hauling heavy loads on such highways; providing penalties for the obstruction or diversion of the flow of rainfall in such manner as to cause damage to the highways of said county; providing for the issuance of bonds in such manner as is provided by the general laws of the State of Texas; defining the meaning of the words 'road' and 'highway'; authorizing the investment of sinking funds of said county in bonds authorized by law; prohibiting county officials of Wichita county from becoming financially interested in contracts of said county, and prescribing penalties therefor; repealing all laws and parts of laws in conflict herewith; providing that provisions of this act are cumulative of the general laws of the State of Texas when not in conflict therewith; providing for the repeal of Chapter 29 of the General Laws of Texas, approved March 22, 1918, in so far as the same affects Wichita county, and declaring an emergency,' this

amendment being for the purpose of providing that the road taxes, general and special, for Wichita county, and the gross registration, chauffeur and transfer fees collected on motor vehicles and the like as now or hereafter provided by law, and paid into the county depository of Wichita county to the credit of its special highways fund, shall be distributed among the four commissioners precincts in accordance with the residence or business address of such registrant or owner, and to be expended only upon the public roads or system within such commissioners precinct except with the consent of the commissioner from whose precinct said funds are to be transferred; repealing all laws in conflict, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Roads, Bridges and Ferries.

SENATE BILLS ON FIRST READING.

The following Senate bills were laid before the House, read severally first time, and referred to the appropriate committees, as follows:

Senate bill No. 281, to the Committee on Conservation and Reclamation.

Senate bill No. 346, to the Committee on School Districts.

BILL ORDERED NOT PRINTED.

On motion of Mr. Faubion, House bill No. 617 was ordered not printed.

RELATING TO ENTERTAINMENT BY AMATEUR CHORAL CLUB.

Mr. Smith offered the following resolution:

Whereas, The House of Representatives and the Senate have tendered an invitation to the Amateur Choral Club of Austin, which has been accepted by them, to entertain the members of the Legislature on Tuesday night at 8:15, February 27, 1923; and

Whereas, They desire to rehearse on Sunday afternoon, the 25th of February; now therefore be it

Resolved, That permission is granted the said Amateur Choral Club to use the House of Representatives on Sunday afternoon for the purpose of rehearsing.

The resolution was read second time and was adopted.

INVITATION TO EBENEZER BAPTIST CHORUS.

Mr. Greer offered the following resolution:

Whereas, The Ebenezer Baptist Chorus is the best colored chorus in the South; and

Whereas, It is the usual custom for the Ebenezer Chorus to render one program at each session of the Legislature; therefore be it

Resolved, By the House of Representatives, That the Ebenezer Baptist Chorus be invited to render a concert in the House of Representatives on next Wednesday night at 7:30 o'clock.

Signed—Greer, McFarlane, Thrasher.

The resolution was read second time and was adopted.

HOUSE BILL NO. 285 ON SECOND READING.

On motion of Mr. Sackett, by unanimous consent, the regular order of business was suspended to take up and have placed on its second reading and passage to engrossment,

H. B. No. 285, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 610, Revised Statutes, as amended by Chapter 47, Acts of the Regular Session of the Thirty-seventh Legislature, prescribing purposes for which counties may issue bonds; amending Articles 611, 612, 617 and 621, Chapter 1, Title 18, Revised Statutes, 1911, relating to the issuance of county and city bonds; adding to Chapter 1, Title 18, Revised Statutes, five new articles designated as Articles 610a, 610b, 610c, 610d and 610e, authorizing counties, towns, cities, school districts and improvement districts to refund bonds now or hereafter outstanding; providing that nothing in this act shall be construed as invalidating any bond elections previously ordered or held, or any bonds issued and sold by any county, city, town or district, and declaring an emergency."

The Speaker laid the bill before the House and it was read second time.

Mr. Sackett offered the following (committee) amendments to the bill:

(1) Amend House bill No. 285 by adding to Article 610b (Section 2) the following words: "provided, that in the event such bonds are not issued to mature serially, each bond shall contain the right of redemption on the part of the county, city, town or district at any time after ten years from the date of the bond."

(2) By amending Article 611 (Section 3) to read as follows: "All bonds issued by any county, city or town, under this chapter, shall run not exceeding forty years; provided, that if

deemed advisable by the commissioners court or the city or town council any such bonds, after the election, may be issued in serial installments as nearly equal in amount as practicable, the first installment of which shall become due not more than two years from the date of such bonds, and provided further, that in the event such bonds are not issued to mature in serial installments, each bond shall contain the right of redemption on the part of the county, city or town at any time after ten years from the date of the bond."

(3) By striking out Article 617 (Section 5).

(4) By changing the number of Sections 6, 7, 8 and 9 so that the same shall be Sections 5, 6, 7, 8 and 9.

(5) By striking out of the caption thereto Article 617.

The amendments were severally adopted.

Mr. Pope moved to reconsider the vote by which the (committee) amendment No. 3 was adopted.

The motion to reconsider prevailed.

Mr. Pope offered the following substitute for (committee) amendment No. 3:

Amend House bill No. 285 by adding at the end of line 34, page 3, the following: "not exceeding one half of one per cent."

The substitute was adopted.

The (committee) amendment No. 3, as substituted, was then adopted.

Mr. Loftin offered the following amendment to the bill:

Amend House bill No. 285, line 31, page 3, after the words "par value," by adding "and accrued interest."

The amendment was adopted.

House bill No. 285 was then passed to engrossment.

HOUSE BILL NO. 285 ON THIRD READING.

Mr. Sackett moved that the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days be suspended, and that House bill No. 285 be placed on its third reading and final passage.

The motion prevailed by the following vote:

Yeas—102.

Mr. Speaker.	Baker of Orange.
Amsler.	Baldwin.
Arnold.	Barker.
Atkinson.	Beasley.
Avis.	Bell.

Blount.	Miller.
Bonham.	Moore.
Brady.	Pate.
Bryant.	Patman.
Burmeister.	Perdue.
Cable.	Pinkston.
Carson.	Pool.
Carter of Coke.	Pope.
Chitwood.	Potter.
Collins.	Price.
Covey.	Purl.
Cowen.	Quinn.
Culp.	Rice.
DeBerry.	Robinson.
Dinkle.	Rountree.
Dodd.	Rowland.
Driggers.	Russell.
Duffey.	of Callahan.
Dunn.	Russell of Trinity.
Durham.	Sackett.
Faubion.	Sanford.
Frnka.	Satterwhite.
Greer.	Shearer.
Hardin of Erath.	Shires.
Harrington.	Simpson.
Henderson	Smith.
of McLennan.	Sparkman.
Houston.	Stell.
Howeth.	Stewart
Hughes.	of Edwards.
Irwin.	Stewart of Jasper.
Jones.	Stewart of Reeves.
Kemble.	Storey.
Lamb.	Stroder.
LeMaster.	Sweet.
LeSturgeon.	Teer.
Lewis.	Thompson.
Loftin.	Thrasher.
Looney.	Turner.
McDaniel.	Vaughan.
McDonald.	Wells.
McFarlane.	Westbrook.
McKean.	Wessels.
McNatt.	Williamson.
Martin.	Wilmans.
Melson.	Wilson.
Merriman.	Winfree.
Merritt.	Young.

Nays—3.

Davis.	Maxwell.
Mathes.	

Present—Not Voting.

Fields.	Harris.
Finlay.	Jennings.

Absent.

Abney.	Carpenter
Barrett.	of Matagorda.
Bird.	Carter of Hays.
Bobbitt.	Coffee.
Carpenter	Crawford.
of Dallas.	Davenport.

Dielmann.	Lackey.
Downs.	Laird.
Dunlap.	Lane.
Edwards.	McBride.
Fugler.	Montgomery.
Gipson.	Morgan
Green.	of Liberty.
Henderson	Patterson.
of Marion.	Quaid.
Hendricks.	Rogers.
Jacks.	Wallace.
Johnson.	

Absent—Excused.

Baker of Milam.	Morgan
Hardin	of Robertson.
of Kaufman.	Stevens.
Hull.	Stiernberg.
Lusk.	Strickland.

The Speaker then laid House bill No. 285 before the House on its third reading and final passage.

The bill was read third time, and was passed by the following vote:

Yeas—103.

Mr. Speaker.	Harrington.
Amsler.	Henderson
Arnold.	of McLennan.
Atkinson.	Houston.
Avis.	Howeth.
Baker of Orange.	Hughes.
Baldwin.	Irwin.
Barker.	Jacks.
Beasley.	Johnson.
Bell.	Jones.
Blount.	Kemble.
Bobbitt.	Lamb.
Bonham.	Lane.
Brady.	LeStourgeon.
Burmeister.	Lewis.
Cable.	Loftin.
Carson.	Looney.
Carter of Coke.	McDaniel.
Chitwood.	McDonald.
Covey.	McFarlane.
Cowen.	McKean.
Culp.	McNatt.
Davenport.	Martin.
DeBerry.	Maxwell.
Dielmann.	Melson.
Dinkle.	Merriman.
Dodd.	Merritt.
Driggers.	Miller.
Duffey.	Pate.
Dunlap.	Patman.
Dunn.	Perdue.
Durham.	Pool.
Edwards.	Pope.
Faubion.	Potter.
Frnka.	Price.
Gipson.	Purl.
Greer.	Rice.
Hardin of Erath.	Robinson.

Rountree.	Storey.
Rowland.	Stroder.
Russell of Trinity.	Sweet.
Sackett.	Teer.
Sanford.	Thompson.
Satterwhite.	Thrasher.
Shearer.	Turner.
Shires.	Vaughan.
Simpson.	Wells.
Smith.	Wessels.
Sparkman.	Williamson.
Stell.	Wilmans.
Stewart of Jasper.	Wilson.
Stewart of Reeves.	Winfree.

Nays—6.

Bryant.	Jennings.
Davis.	LeMaster.
Fields.	Pinkston.

Present—Not Voting.

Harris.	Young.
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Absent.

Abney.	Lackey.
Barrett.	Laird.
Bird.	McBride.
Carpenter	Mathes.
of Dallas.	Montgomery.
Carpenter	Moore.
of Matagorda.	Morgan
Coffee.	of Liberty.
Collins.	Patterson.
Crawford.	Quaid.
Downs.	Quinn.
Finlay.	Rogers.
Fugler.	Stewart
Green.	of Edwards.
Henderson	Wallace.
of Marion.	Westbrook.
Hendricks.	

Absent—Excused.

Baker of Milam.	Russell.
Carter of Hays.	of Callahan.
Hardin	Stevens.
of Kaufman.	Stiernberg.
Hull.	Strickland.
Lusk.	
Morgan	
of Robertson.	

Mr. Sackett moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill was passed and to table the motion to reconsider.

The motion to table prevailed.

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 22 ON SECOND READING.

The Speaker laid before the House, as a special order for this hour, on its second reading and passage to engrossment,

H. J. R. No. 22. Submitting to the

people an amendment to the Constitution of Texas limiting the power of the Legislature to levy an ad valorem tax not to exceed thirty-five cents on the one hundred dollar valuation for school purposes, and five cents for pension purposes, and for the exemption of payment of the ad valorem tax, or any other tax, on property or privilege upon which a special tax, or any other tax, is levied. Providing that the Legislature cannot exempt from the payment of the ad valorem tax real property, tangible personal property (not including money or credits), and railroad properties (not including intangible values of same). The situs of said property for local taxation purposes, to be governed by act of Legislature. Said amendment to be effective on and after January 1, 1923.

The resolution was read second time.

Mr. Burmeister offered the following amendment to the resolution:

Amend the resolution, page 1, line 28, by striking out the figure "5," and inserting "7."

The amendment was adopted.

Mr. Henderson of Marion offered the following amendment to the resolution:

Amend House joint resolution No. 22, page 1, line 27, by adding after the word "exceeding," the following: "Twenty-five cents on the one hundred dollars valuation as now provided by Article 8, Section 9, of the Constitution."

Question—Shall the amendment be adopted?

RECESS.

Mr. Lackey moved that the House recess to 2 o'clock p. m. today.

Mr. Simpson moved that the House recess to 1:30 o'clock p. m. today.

The motion of Mr. Lackey prevailed, and the House, accordingly at 12 o'clock m., took recess to 2 o'clock p. m. today.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The House met at 2 o'clock p. m. and was called to order by the Speaker.

COMMITTEE TO INVESTIGATE TEXT BOOK CONTRACT.

The Speaker announced the appointment of the following committee on the part of the House to investigate the text book contracts, under House concurrent resolution No. 4:

Messrs. Henderson of Marion, Bonham, Baldwin, Price and Laird.

Mr. Simpson moved a call of the House for the purpose of maintaining a quorum until 6 o'clock p. m. today.

The motion was lost.

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 22 ON ENGROSSMENT.

The House resumed consideration of pending business, same being House joint resolution No. 22, relating to levying ad valorem tax, on its passage to engrossment, with amendment by Mr. Henderson of Marion pending.

Mr. Wallace moved to table the amendment.

Yeas and nays were demanded, and the motion to table was lost by the following vote:

Yeas—44.

Abney.	Martin.
Atkinson.	Melson.
Avis.	Merritt.
Barker.	Patman.
Bird.	Perdue.
Bryant.	Pinkston.
Cable.	Purl.
Coffee.	Rice.
Crawford.	Rowland.
Davis.	Sackett.
DeBerry.	Sanford.
Dielmann.	Shearer.
Dodd.	Simpson.
Downs.	Stell.
Driggers.	Stewart
Duffey.	of Edwards.
Finlay.	Stroder.
Greer.	Sweet.
Howeth.	Thompson.
Lane.	Wallace.
Looney.	Wells.
McBride.	Wilson.
McDaniel.	Young.

Nays—79.

Amsler.	Dunlap.
Baker of Orange.	Dunn.
Baldwin.	Edwards.
Barrett.	Faubion.
Beasley.	Fugler.
Bell.	Gipson.
Blount.	Green.
Bobbitt.	Hardin of Erath.
Bonham.	Harrington.
Burmeister.	Harris.
Carpenter	Henderson
of Matagorda.	of Marion.
Carson.	Henderson
Carter of Coke.	of McLennan.
Chitwood.	Houston.
Collins.	Irwin.
Covey.	Jacks.
Cowen.	Jennings.
Dinkle.	Jones.

Kemble.	Quaid.
Lackey.	Robinson.
Lamb.	Rogers.
LeMaster.	Rountree.
LeStourgeon.	Russell of Trinity.
Lewis.	Satterwhite.
Loftin.	Sparkman.
McFarlane.	Stevens.
McNatt.	Stewart of Reeves.
Mathes.	Storey.
Maxwell.	Teer.
Miller.	Thrasher.
Moore.	Turner.
Morgan	Westbrook.
of Liberty.	Wessels.
Pate.	Williamson.
Pool.	Wilmans.
Potter.	Winfree.

Present—Not Voting.

McDonald.

Absent.

Arnold.	Laird.
Brady.	McKean.
Culp.	Merriman.
Carpenter	Montgomery.
of Dallas.	Pope.
Davenport.	Price.
Durham.	Quinn.
Fields.	Shires.
Frnka.	Smith.
Hendricks.	Stewart of Jasper.
Hughes.	Vaughan.
Johnson.	

Absent—Excused.

Baker of Milam.	Patterson.
Carter of Hays.	Russell.
Hardin	of Callahan.
of Kaufman.	Stiernberg.
Hull.	Strickland.
Lusk.	
Morgan	
of Robertson.	

Question then recurring on the amendment by Mr. Henderson of Marion, it was adopted.

Mr. Burmeister moved to reconsider the vote by which the amendment was adopted and to table the motion to reconsider.

The motion to table prevailed.

Mr. Burmeister offered the following amendment to the resolution:

Amend House joint resolution No. 22, page 2 of printed resolution, by striking out the word "five" on line 7, and insert in lieu thereof the word "seven," and strike out the word "five" in line 18, page 2, and in lieu thereof insert the word "seven."

The amendment was adopted.

Mr. Wessels offered the following amendment to the resolution:

Amend House joint resolution No. 22, on page 1, lines 27 and 28, strike out all after the word "schools" to the word "Constitution," and place in lieu thereof the words "per capita not to exceed \$20 per child transferable to any school in State."

Mr. Coffee moved the previous question on the pending amendment and the resolution, and the main question was ordered.

Question first recurring on the amendment, it was lost.

Mr. Henderson of Marion, by unanimous consent, offered the following amendments to the resolution:

(1)

Amend House joint resolution No. 22, page 2, line 5, by adding after the word "exceed" the following: "25c on the \$100 valuation as provided by Article 8, Section 9 of the Constitution."

(2)

Amend House joint resolution No. 22, page 2, line 17, by adding after the word "levy" the following: "25c on the \$100 valuation as provided by Article 8, Section 9 of the Constitution."

The amendments were severally adopted.

Question then recurring on the engrossment of the resolution, yeas and nays were demanded.

The resolution was passed to engrossment by the following vote:

Yeas—78.

Abney.	Driggers.
Amsler.	Duffey.
Arnold.	Dunn.
Atkinson.	Edwards.
Avis.	Faubion.
Barker.	Fields.
Beasley.	Finlay.
Bobbitt.	Greer.
Bonham.	Hendricks.
Bryant.	Howeth.
Burmeister.	Irwin.
Cable.	Lane.
Carpenter	LeStourgeon.
of Matagorda.	Lewis.
Carson.	Looney.
Chitwood.	McBride.
Coffee.	McDaniel.
Covey.	Martin.
Crawford.	Mathes.
Davis.	Maxwell.
DeBerry.	Melson.
Dinkle.	Merritt.
Dodd.	Miller.
Downs.	Moore.

Pate.	Stell.
Patman.	Stevens.
Perdue.	Stewart
Pinkston.	of Edwards.
Price.	Stewart of Jasper.
Purl.	Stroder.
Quinn.	Sweet.
Rice.	Teer.
Robinson.	Thompson.
Rogers.	Vaughan.
Rowland.	Wallace.
Sackett.	Wells.
Sanford.	Westbrook.
Shearer.	Wilson.
Simpson.	Young.
Sparkman.	

Nays—37.

Baker of Orange.	Lamb.
Baldwin.	LeMaster.
Barrett.	McFarlane.
Bell.	McNatt.
Blount.	Merriman.
Carter of Coke.	Morgan
Collins.	of Liberty.
Cowen.	Potter.
Culp.	Quaid.
Dunlap.	Rountree.
Fugler.	Russell of Trinity.
Gipson.	Satterwhite.
Green.	Smith.
Harrington.	Stewart of Reeves.
Houston.	Storey.
Jacks.	Thrasher.
Jennings.	Wessels.
Jones.	Williamson.
Kemble.	Winfree.
Lackey.	

Present—Not Voting.

Bird.	Turner.
McDonald.	Wilmsans.

Absent.

Brady.	Henderson
Carpenter	of McLennan.
of Dallas.	Johnson.
Davenport.	Laird.
Dielmann.	Loftin.
Durham.	McKean.
Frnka.	Montgomery.
Hardin of Erath.	Pool.
Harris.	Pope.
Hughes.	Shires.

Absent—Excused.

Baker of Milam.	Morgan
Carter of Hays.	of Robertson.
Hardin	Patterson.
of Kaufman.	Russell.
Henderson	of Callahan.
of Marion.	Stiernberg.
Hull.	Strickland.
Lusk.	

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 7
ON SECOND READING.

The Speaker laid before the House, as a special order for this hour, on its second reading and passage to engrossment,

H. J. R. No. 7, Relating to amending the Constitution so as to give the Legislature power to create a State plan of insurance.

The resolution was read second time.

On motion of Mr. Quaid, the resolution was laid on the table subject to call.

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 8
ON SECOND READING.

The Speaker laid before the House, as a special order for this hour, on its second reading and passage to engrossment,

H. J. R. No. 8, Relating to amending the Constitution so as to give the Legislature power to print or publish public school books.

The resolution was read second time.

Mr. McFarlane moved the previous question on the resolution, and the main question was ordered.

Question—Shall House joint resolution No. 8 be passed to engrossment?

The Clerk was directed to call the roll and the resolution was passed to engrossment by the following vote:

Yeas—85.

Arnold.	Faubion.
Atkinson.	Finlay.
Avis.	Frnka.
Baker of Orange.	Fugler.
Barker.	Gipson.
Beasley.	Greer.
Bird.	Henderson
Bonham.	of McLennan.
Bryant.	Hendricks.
Burmeister.	Howeth.
Cable.	Irwin.
Carpenter	Jacks.
of Matagorda.	Jennings.
Carson.	Kemble.
Carter of Coke.	Lackey.
Covey.	Laird.
Cowen.	Lane.
Crawford.	LeSturgeon.
Davis.	Looney.
Dinkle.	McBride.
Dodd.	McDaniel.
Downs.	McDonald.
Driggers.	McFarlane.
Duffey.	Martin.
Dunn.	Melson.
Edwards.	Merriman.

Merritt.	Simpson.
Morgan	Sparkman.
of Liberty.	Stell.
Pate.	Stevens.
Patman.	Stewart
Perdue.	of Edwards.
Pinkston.	Stewart of Jasper.
Pool.	Stewart of Reeves.
Potter.	Teer.
Price.	Thompson.
Purl.	Thrasher.
Quinn.	Turner.
Rice.	Wallace.
Robinson.	Wells.
Rogers.	Williamson.
Rountree.	Wilson.
Rowland.	Winfree.
Sackett.	Young.
Sanford.	

Nays—18.

Abney.	Green.
Amsler.	Harrington.
Baldwin.	LeMaster.
Bell.	Loftin.
Coffee.	Miller.
Collins.	Satterwhite.
Culp.	Smith.
DeBerry.	Westbrook.
Fields.	Wessels.

Absent.

Barrett.	Lamb.
Blount.	Lewis.
Bobbitt.	McKean.
Brady.	McNatt.
Carpenter	Mathes.
of Dallas.	Maxwell.
Chitwood.	Montgomery.
Davenport.	Moore.
Dielmann.	Pope.
Dunlap.	Quaid.
Durham.	Russell of Trinity.
Hardin of Erath.	Shearer.
Harris.	Shires.
Henderson	Storey.
of Marion.	Stroder.
Houston.	Sweet.
Hughes.	Vaughan.
Johnson.	Wilmans.
Jones.	

Absent—Excused.

Baker of Milam.	Patterson.
Carter of Hays.	Russell.
Hardin	of Callahan.
of Kaufman.	Stiernberg.
Hull.	Strickland.
Lusk.	
Morgan	
of Robertson.	

BILL ORDERED PRINTED.

On motion of Mr. Howeth, by unanimous consent, House bill No. 220, re-

ported adversely with a minority favorable report, was ordered printed.

BILLS RECOMMITTED.

On motion of Mr. Rowland, by unanimous consent, House bills Nos. 157 and 158 were recommitted to the Committee on Municipal and Private Corporations.

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 12
ON SECOND READING.

The Speaker laid before the House, as a special order for this hour, on its second reading and passage to engrossment,

H. J. R. No. 12, Proposing an amendment to Section 13 of Article 5 of the Constitution of the State of Texas; prescribing the number of men which shall constitute grand and petit juries in the district courts; defining a quorum for grand juries; permitting nine jurors to render a verdict in civil cases and in criminal cases below the grade of felony in the district court; providing for jurors less than twelve to render a verdict in all cases under certain circumstances; conferring upon the Legislature power to change or modify the rule authorizing a verdict by less than the whole number of the jury by authorizing the Legislature to provide for the selection and empaneling of one additional male juror in felony cases to be known as an "alternate juror" who shall serve on the regular jury when a vacancy occurs thereon from death or by a member becoming disabled, as may be provided by law.

The resolution was read second time.

Question—Shall the resolution be passed to engrossment?

The Clerk was directed to call the roll and the resolution was passed to engrossment by the following vote:

Yeas—85.

Mr. Speaker.	Chitwood.
Amsler.	Coffee.
Arnold.	Crawford.
Atkinson.	Culp.
Avis.	Davis.
Barker.	DeBerry.
Bell.	Dinkle.
Bonham.	Downs.
Bryant.	Driggers.
Burmeister.	Dunn.
Cable.	Edwards.
Carpenter	Faubion.
of Matagorda.	Fields.
Carson.	Finlay.
Carter of Coke.	Frnka.

Fugler.	Quinn.
Gipson.	Robinson.
Greer.	Rogers.
Hendricks.	Rowland.
Howeth.	Russell of Trinity.
Lackey.	Sackett.
Laird.	Sanford.
LeStourgeon.	Satterwhite.
Loftin.	Shearer.
McBride.	Shires.
McDonald.	Simpson.
McFarlane.	Sparkman.
McKean.	Stell.
McNatt.	Stevens.
Martin.	Stewart
Maxwell.	of Edwards.
Melson.	Stewart of Jasper.
Merriman.	Stewart of Reeves.
Merritt.	Stroder.
Miller.	Teer.
Montgomery.	Thompson.
Moore.	Thrasher.
Morgan	Turner.
of Liberty.	Wells.
Perdue.	Westbrook.
Potter.	Williamson.
Price.	Wilson.
Purl.	Winfree.
Quaid.	Young.

Nays—20.

Baker of Orange.	Jacks.
Baldwin.	Henderson
Barrett.	of McLennan.
Bird.	Jennings.
Bobbitt.	Kemble.
Brady.	LeMaster.
Collins.	Looney.
Covey.	McDaniel.
Duffey.	Rice.
Dunlap.	Wessels.
Green.	

Present—Not Voting.

Dodd.

Absent.

Abney.	Jones.
Beasley.	Lamb.
Blount.	Lane.
Carpenter	Lewis.
of Dallas.	Mathes.
Cowen.	Pate.
Davenport.	Patman.
Dielmann.	Pinkston.
Durham.	Pool.
Hardin of Erath.	Pope.
Harrington.	Rountree.
Harris.	Smith.
Henderson	Storey.
of Marion.	Sweet.
Houston.	Vaughan.
Hughes.	Wallace.
Irwin.	Wilmons.
Johnson.	

Absent—Excused.

Baker of Milam.	Patterson.
Carter of Hays.	Russell.
Hardin	of Callahan.
of Kaufman.	Stiernberg.
Hull.	Strickland.
Lusk.	
Morgan	
of Robertson.	

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 13
ON SECOND READING.

The Speaker laid before the House, as a special order for this hour, on its second reading and passage to engrossment,

H. J. R. No. 13, Proposing an amendment to Section 51 of Article 3 of the Constitution of the State of Texas to provide that the Legislature may grant pensions to Confederate soldiers, sailors and their widows who have been citizens of Texas prior to January 1, 1900; providing that all soldiers, sailors and their widows eligible under the provisions hereof shall be entitled to be placed upon the rolls and participate in the pension fund created hereunder; levying a tax of ten (\$0.10) cents on the \$100 valuation of property in this State for the payment of such pension; providing that the Legislature may reduce the rate of such pension; fixing a time for the election to be held on such amendment, and making appropriation to pay the expenses thereof.

The resolution was read second time.

Mr. Covey offered the following amendment to the resolution:

Amend House joint resolution No. 13, page 2, line 9, by striking out the word "ten" and the figures "(\$0.10)" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "seven" and the figures "(\$0.07)" and change caption to correspond.

The amendment was adopted.

Mr. Burmeister moved a call of the House for the purpose of maintaining a quorum until 5:30 o'clock p. m. today, and the motion was lost.

Question—Shall the resolution be passed to engrossment?

The Clerk was directed to call the roll and the resolution was passed to engrossment by the following vote:

Yeas—93.

Mr. Speaker.	Baker of Orange.
Abney.	Baldwin.
Amsler.	Barker.
Atkinson.	Bell.
Avis.	Bobbitt.

Bryant.	Maxwell.
Burmeister.	Melson.
Cable.	Merritt.
Carpenter	Montgomery.
of Matagorda.	Moore.
Carson.	Morgan
Carter of Coke.	of Liberty.
Chitwood.	Patman.
Covey.	Pinkston.
Cowen.	Potter.
Crawford.	Price.
DeBerry.	Purl.
Dinkle.	Rice.
Dodd.	Robinson.
Driggers.	Rogers.
Duffey.	Rountree.
Dunn.	Rowland.
Edwards.	Russell of Trinity.
Faubion.	Sackett.
Fields.	Sanford.
Finlay.	Satterwhite.
Frnka.	Shearer.
Fugler.	Shires.
Gipson.	Simpson.
Green.	Smith.
Greer.	Sparkman.
Hardin of Erath.	Stell.
Henderson	Stevens.
of McLennan.	Stewart of Reeves.
Hendricks.	Sweet.
Irwin.	Teer.
Jacks.	Thompson.
Laird.	Thrasher.
Lane.	Turner.
LeSturgeon.	Vaughan.
Loftin.	Wells.
McBride.	Westbrook.
McDaniel.	Williamson.
McDonald.	Wilmans.
McFarlane.	Wilson.
McKean.	Winfree.
McNatt.	Young.
Mathes.	

Nays—10.

Bird.	LeMaster.
Coffee.	Looney.
Collins.	Perdue.
Davis.	Stewart of Jasper.
Jennings.	Wessels.

Absent.

Arnold.	Harrington.
Barrett.	Harris.
Beasley.	Henderson
Blount.	of Marion.
Bonham.	Houston.
Brady.	Howeth.
Carpenter	Hughes.
of Dallas.	Johnson.
Culp.	Jones.
Davenport.	Kemble.
Dielmann.	Lackey.
Downs.	Lamb.
Dunlap.	Lewis.
Durham.	Merriman.

Miller.	Stewart
Pate.	of Edwards.
Pool.	Stroder.
Pope.	Storey.
Quaid.	Wallace.
Quinn.	

Absent—Excused.

Baker of Milam.	Morgan
Carter of Hays.	of Robertson.
Hardin	Patterson.
of Kaufman.	Russell
Hull.	of Callahan.
Lusk.	Stiernberg.
	Strickland.

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 15
ON SECOND READING.

The Speaker laid before the House, as a special order for this hour, on its second reading and passage to engrossment,

H. J. R. No. 15, Proposing to amend Article 11 of the Constitution of the State of Texas by adding thereto at the end thereof another Section 11, providing for the creation of defined districts under proper legislative provisions, within the limits of cities and towns having more than three thousand inhabitants, for the purpose of constructing, improving and maintaining streets, alleys and sidewalks; constructing waterworks systems and sewerage systems; establishing and maintaining public parks and playgrounds, and improving any river, creek, bayou, stream or other body of water, and to drain and otherwise protect territory within the limits of such districts; conferring upon the Legislature the authority to pass laws with reference thereto; fixing the time for the election for the adoption or rejection of said proposed constitutional amendment; making certain provisions for said election and the ballots thereof and the method thereof; directing the issuance of the proclamation therefor; prescribing certain duties of the Governor of the State, and making an appropriation to defray the expenses of said election.

The resolution was read second time.

Mr. Quaid offered the following amendment to the resolution:

Amend Section 2 by striking out the words "third Tuesday in August, 1923, the same being — day of August, 1923," and by substituting therefor the words "4th day of November, 1924."

The amendment was adopted.

Mrs. Wilmans offered the following amendment to the resolution:

Amend House joint resolution No. 15 by striking out the provision in Section 43.

The amendment was adopted.

Mr. Jacks moved to reconsider the vote by which the amendment by Mrs. Wilmans was adopted.

The motion to reconsider prevailed.

On motion of Mr. Jacks the amendment was tabled.

Mr. Purl moved the previous question on the resolution and the main question was ordered.

Question—Shall the resolution be passed to engrossment?

The Clerk was directed to call the roll and the resolution was passed to engrossment by the following vote:

Yeas—62.

Amsler.	McDonald.
Baker of Orange.	McFarlane.
Baldwin.	McNatt.
Bell.	Maxwell.
Brady.	Melson.
Burmeister.	Miller.
Cable.	Moore.
Carpenter	Morgan
of Matagorda.	of Liberty.
Carter of Coke.	Pate.
Chitwood.	Patman.
Coffee.	Perdue.
Covey.	Potter.
Culp.	Price.
DeBerry.	Purl.
Dodd.	Quaid.
Dunn.	Rice.
Edwards.	Robinson.
Frnka.	Rountree.
Fugler.	Sackett.
Green.	Sanford.
Greer.	Satterwhite.
Henderson	Simpson.
of Marion.	Smith.
Henderson	Stewart of Reeves.
of McLennan.	Stroder.
Hendricks.	Sweet.
Howeth.	Vaughan.
Irwin.	Wallace.
Jacks.	Wessels.
Kemble.	Williamson.
McBride.	Winfree.
McDaniel.	Young.

Nays—51.

Abney.	Crawford.
Arnold.	Davis.
Atkinson.	Dinkle.
Avis.	Downs.
Barker.	Driggers.
Barrett.	Duffey.
Beasley.	Dunlap.
Cowen.	Fields.

Finlay.	Rogers.
Harrington.	Rowland.
Harris.	Russell of Trinity.
Jennings.	Shearer.
Jones.	Sparkman.
Lackey.	Stell.
Laird.	Stevens.
Lane.	Stewart
LeMaster.	of Edwards.
LeStourgeon.	Stewart of Jasper.
Looney.	Teer.
Loftin.	Thompson.
McKean.	Thrasher.
Mathes.	Turner.
Merriman.	Wells.
Merritt.	Westbrook.
Pinkston.	Wilmans.
Pool.	Wilson.

Present—Not Voting.

Bird.	Lamb.
Bryant.	
	Absent.
Blount.	Hardin of Erath.
Bobbitt.	Houston.
Bonham.	Hughes.
Carpenter	Johnson.
of Dallas.	Lewis.
Carson.	Martin.
Collins.	Montgomery.
Davenport.	Pope.
Dielmann.	Quinn.
Durham.	Shires.
Faubion.	Storey.
Gipson.	

Absent—Excused.

Baker of Milam.	Patterson.
Carter of Hays.	Russell
Hardin	of Callahan.
of Kaufman.	Stiernberg.
Hull.	Strickland.
Lusk.	
Morgan	
of Robertson.	

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 16 ON SECOND READING.

The Speaker laid before the House, as a special order for this hour, on its second reading and passage to engrossment,

H. J. R. No. 16, Proposing an amendment to Article 8 of the Constitution of the State of Texas, which relates to taxation and revenues, by adding thereto a new section to be known as Section 9a, directing the Legislature to provide for the construction, operation and maintenance, under State control, of a system of public highways; authorizing the Legislature to provide for the issuance

of bonds of the State or other form of indebtedness for the construction of a State system of public highways, and to provide for the payment of said bonds; providing for an election for the ratification of the amendment herein proposed, and making an appropriation to defray the expense of said election.

The resolution was read second time.

Mr. Patman offered the following amendment to the resolution:

Amend House joint resolution No. 16 by striking out from line 34 to line 37, page 1 of the printed resolution, the following: "and provide the means, revenues and instrumentalities therefor, including the right to levy and collect specific excise and ad valorem taxes in addition to those permitted for other purposes in the Constitution."

On motion of Mr. Price, further consideration of the resolution was postponed until 10 o'clock a. m. tomorrow.

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 18 ON SECOND READING.

The Speaker laid before the House, as a special order for this hour, on its second reading and passage to engrossment.

H. J. R. No. 18, Authorizing and approving the exchange of ownership by the Board of Prison Commissioners and the Hermann Hospital Estate of two certain tracts of land at the Blue Ridge State Farm, situated in Fort Bend county, Texas, one consisting of five acres of land belonging to Hermann Hospital Estate, on which the State barn and certain other improvements at the Blue Ridge Farm are situated, and the other, of which, excepting the oil, gas and other minerals therein, consisting of six acres of land, belongs to the State of Texas.

The resolution was read second time.

On motion of Mr. Wallace, the resolution was laid on the table subject to call.

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 19 ON SECOND READING.

The Speaker laid before the House, as a special order for this hour, on its second reading and passage to engrossment,

H. J. R. No. 19, Proposing an amendment to Article 8 of the State Constitution, providing for the exemption of Cotton mills from taxation for a period of ten years.

The resolution was read second time.

Mr. Cable moved the previous question on the resolution, and the main question was ordered.

Mr. Stewart of Edwards moved to reconsider the vote by which the previous question was ordered.

The motion to reconsider prevailed.

Question then recurring on the motion for the previous question, it was lost.

Mr. Stewart of Edwards offered the following amendment to the resolution:

Amend House joint resolution No. 19, page 1, Section 19a, line 14, by adding a comma after the word "cotton" and adding "woolen and mohair mills."

Mr. Fields moved to postpone further consideration of the resolution indefinitely.

Mr. Cable moved the previous question on the motion to postpone and the pending amendment, and the main question was ordered.

Question recurring on the amendment by Mr. Stewart of Edwards, it was adopted.

Mr. Purl, by unanimous consent, offered the following amendment to the resolution:

Amend House joint resolution No. 19, page 1, line 13, Section 19a, by striking out the word "ten" and insert in lieu thereof the word "five," and in line 20, same page, where "ten" appears strike same therefrom and insert in lieu thereof the word "five."

The amendment was adopted.

Question recurring on the motion to postpone indefinitely, yeas and nays were demanded.

The motion was lost by the following vote:

Yeas—47.

Amsler.	LeMaster.
Baker of Orange.	Loftin.
Baldwin.	McDaniel.
Barrett.	McNatt.
Beasley.	Martin.
Blount.	Mathes.
Brady.	Maxwell.
Davis.	Melson.
DeBerry.	Merriman.
Dinkle.	Miller.
Downs.	Morgan
Fields.	of Liberty.
Henderson	Pinkston.
of McLennan.	Quaid.
Hendricks.	Rice.
Irwin.	Robinson.
Jacks.	Sanford.
Jennings.	Satterwhite.
Kemble.	Sparkman.
Lackey.	Storey.

Teer.
Thompson.
Thrasher.
Vaughan.

Wallace.
Westbrook.
Williamson.
Young.

Patterson.
Russell
of Callahan.

Stiernberg.
Strickland.

Nays—63.

Abney.	Lane.
Arnold.	LeStourgeon.
Atkinson.	Lewis.
Barker.	Looney.
Bird.	McBride.
Bonham.	McFarlane.
Bryant.	McKean.
Burmeister.	Moore.
Cable.	Pate.
Carpenter	Patman.
of Matagorda.	Perdue.
Carson.	Potter.
Carter of Coke.	Price.
Chitwood.	Purl.
Coffee.	Quinn.
Collins.	Rogers.
Covey.	Rowland.
Crawford.	Sackett.
Dodd.	Shearer.
Driggers.	Shires.
Duffey.	Simpson.
Dunn.	Stell.
Edwards.	Stevens.
Faubion.	Stewart.
Finlay.	of Edwards.
Frnka.	Stewart of Jasper.
Gipson.	Stroder.
Green.	Sweet.
Greer.	Turner.
Harris.	Wessels.
Henderson	Wilmans.
of Marion.	Wilson.
Howeth.	Winfree.

Present—Not Voting.

Hardin of Erath.

Absent.

Avis.	Johnson.
Bell.	Jones.
Bobbitt.	Laird.
Carpenter	Lamb.
of Dallas.	McDonald.
Cowen.	Merritt.
Culp.	Montgomery.
Davenport.	Pool.
Dielmann.	Pope.
Dunlap.	Rountree.
Durham.	Russell of Trinity.
Fugler.	Smith.
Harrington.	Stewart of Reeves.
Houston.	Wells.
Hughes.	

Absent—Excused.

Baker of Milam.	Hull.
Carter of Hays.	Lusk.
Hardin	Morgan
of Kaufman.	of Robertson.

Question—Shall the resolution be passed to engrossment?

The Clerk was directed to call the roll and the resolution was passed to engrossment by the following vote:

Yeas—69.

Abney.	Laird.
Arnold.	Lamb.
Atkinson.	Lane.
Barker.	LeStourgeon.
Bird.	Lewis.
Bonham.	McBride.
Burmeister.	McDaniel.
Cable.	McDonald.
Carpenter	McFarlane.
of Matagorda.	McKean.
Carson.	Melson.
Carter of Coke.	Moore.
Chitwood.	Pate.
Coffee.	Perdue.
Collins.	Potter.
Covey.	Price.
Cowen.	Purl.
Crawford.	Quinn.
Dodd.	Rogers.
Downs.	Rowland.
Driggers.	Sackett.
Duffey.	Shearer.
Dunn.	Shires.
Faubion.	Simpson.
Finlay.	Stevens.
Frnka.	Stewart
Gipson.	of Edwards.
Green.	Stewart of Jasper.
Greer.	Stroder.
Harris.	Sweet.
Henderson	Thompson.
of Marion.	Turner.
Howeth.	Wilmans.
Irwin.	Wilson.
Jacks.	Winfree.
Jennings.	Young.

Nays—44.

Amsler.	Hendricks.
Baker of Orange.	Kemble.
Baldwin.	Lackey.
Barrett.	LeMaster.
Beasley.	Loftin.
Bell.	Looney.
Blount.	McNatt.
Brady.	Martin.
Culp.	Mathes.
Davis.	Maxwell.
DeBerry.	Merriman.
Dinkle.	Miller.
Fields.	Morgan
Hardin of Erath.	of Liberty.
Henderson	Pinkston.
of McLennan.	Quaid.

Rice.	Teer.
Robinson.	Thrasher.
Sanford.	Vaughan.
Satterwhite.	Wallace.
Sparkman.	Westbrook.
Stell.	Wessels.
Storey.	Williamson.

Present—Not Voting.

Bryant.

Absent.

Avis.	Johnson.
Bobbitt.	Jones.
Carpenter	Merritt.
of Dallas.	Montgomery.
Davenport.	Patman.
Dielmann.	Pool.
Dunlap.	Pope.
Durham.	Rountree.
Edwards.	Russell of Trinity.
Fugler.	Smith.
Harrington.	Stewart of Reeves.
Houston.	Wells.
Hughes.	

Absent—Excused.

Baker of Milam.	Patterson.
Carter of Hays.	Russell
Hardin	of Callahan.
of Kaufman.	Stiernberg.
Hull.	Strickland.
Lusk.	
Morgan	
of Robertson.	

Reason For Vote.

I am opposed to this policy, yet I vote "yea" to leave it up to the people.
YOUNG.

Mr. Greer moved to reconsider the vote by which the resolution was passed to engrossment and to table the motion to reconsider.

The motion to table prevailed.

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 23 ON SECOND READING.

The Speaker laid before the House, as a special order, on its second reading and passage to engrossment,

H. J. R. No. 23, Proposing an amendment to Article 16 of the State Constitution, authorizing the Legislature to create and provide for a State bank to be operated by the State government through the necessary officers, agents and employes, with banking, discounting and such other authority, rights and privileges as may be authorized by law, and to use State funds necessary to accomplish said purpose.

The resolution was read second time.
Mr. Moore moved that further consideration of the resolution be postponed indefinitely.

Yeas and nays were demanded and the motion prevailed by the following vote:

Yeas—77.

Abney.	Laird.
Amsler.	Lamb.
Baldwin.	LeMaster.
Barker.	Loftin.
Barrett.	Looney.
Beasley.	McBride.
Bell.	McDonald.
Bird.	McFarlane.
Blount.	McKean.
Brady.	Martin.
Burmeister.	Mathes.
Cable.	Maxwell.
Carpenter	Melson.
of Matagorda.	Miller.
Carson.	Moore.
Chitwood.	Pate.
Coffee.	Pool.
Covey.	Potter.
Cowen.	Purl.
DeBerry.	Quaid.
Dinkle.	Rice.
Downs.	Rowland.
Driggers.	Russell of Trinity.
Duffey.	Sackett.
Dunlap.	Sanford.
Dunn.	Satterwhite.
Fugler.	Shearer.
Green.	Smith.
Hardin of Erath.	Stevens.
Harris.	Stewart of Jasper.
Henderson	Storey.
of Marion.	Sweet.
Henderson	Teer.
of McLennan.	Thrasher.
Hendricks.	Vaughan.
Irwin.	Westbrook.
Jacks.	Wessels.
Jennings.	Williamson.
Kemble.	Wilson.
Lackey.	Winfree.

Nays—29.

Arnold.	Patman.
Bryant.	Perdue.
Crawford.	Pinkston.
Davis.	Quinn.
Dodd.	Robinson.
Fields.	Rogers.
Finlay.	Simpson.
Greer.	Stell.
Howeth.	Stewart of Reeves.
Lane.	Stroder.
LeSturgeon.	Thompson.
McDaniel.	Turner.
McNatt.	Wallace.
Morgan	Wilmans.
of Liberty.	Young.

Present—Not Voting.

Carter of Coke.

Absent.

Atkinson.	Houston.
Avis.	Hughes.
Baker of Orange.	Johnson.
Bobbitt.	Jones.
Bonham.	Lewis.
Carpenter	Merriman.
of Dallas.	Merritt.
Collins.	Montgomery.
Culp.	Pope.
Davenport.	Price.
Dielmann.	Rountree.
Durham.	Shires.
Edwards.	Sparkman.
Faubion.	Stewart
Frnka.	of Edwards.
Gipson.	Wells.
Harrington.	

Absent—Excused.

Baker of Milam.	Patterson.
Carter of Hays.	Russell
Hardin	of Callahan.
of Kaufman.	Stiernberg.
Hull.	Strickland.
Lusk.	
Morgan	
of Robertson.	

SPECIAL ORDER SET.

On motion of Mr. Simpson, House bill No. 424 was set as a special order for 10 o'clock a. m. next Tuesday.

HOUSE BILL NO. 565 ON SECOND READING.

On motion of Mr. Loftin, the regular order of business was suspended to take up and have placed on its second reading and passage to engrossment,

H. B. No. 565, A bill to be entitled "An Act to reorganize the Thirtieth and Sixteenth Judicial Districts and to create the Ninety-second Judicial District of the State of Texas, and for the appointment of the district judge for said Ninety-second Judicial District; providing for holding the district courts and terms in said Thirtieth, Sixteenth and Ninety-second Judicial Districts, respectively; providing that all process and writs heretofore issued, and that all recognizances and bonds heretofore made and executed and returnable to existing terms of district courts in the counties composing said districts, together with jurors heretofore selected, are valid and returnable to the first term of such court after this act takes

effect; providing that the county attorneys of the respective counties within said Ninety-second Judicial District shall perform the duties of district attorneys in their counties as well as the duties now performed by them, and providing fees of office for such county attorneys; providing for the transfer of cases from the Thirtieth Judicial District to the Ninety-second Judicial District, and from the Sixteenth Judicial District to the Ninety-second Judicial District; providing for the jurisdiction of said district courts, and providing for the continuation of the existing district courts in said counties in session when this act takes effect to the end of their terms; repealing all conflicting laws, and declaring an emergency."

The Speaker laid the bill before the House, and it was read second time.

Mr. Loftin offered the following amendments to the bill:

(1)

Amend House bill No. 565, line 7, page 2, by striking out the word "Denton," and inserting the word "Cooke."

(2)

Amend House bill No. 565, line 14, page 2, by striking out the word "Cooke," and inserting the word "Denton."

(3)

Amend House bill No. 565 by striking out the word "Ninety-second" wherever it appears in the caption and the bill, and insert in lieu thereof the word "Ninety-sixth."

The amendments were severally adopted.

House bill No. 565 was then passed to engrossment.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

Senate Chamber,

Austin, Texas, February 23, 1923.

Hon. R. E. Seagler, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: I am directed by the Senate to inform the House that the Senate has passed the following bills:

S. B. No. 142, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 7137 of the Revised Statutes of Texas, relating to constables, providing for their election and terms of office and for the appointment of two deputies in justice precincts of eight thousand inhabitants or more, and for the appointment of five deputies

in justice precincts where there is a city in said precinct of one hundred thousand inhabitants or more, and declaring an emergency."

S. B. No. 152, A bill to be entitled "An Act to create and establish a court of record in Bowie county, Texas, and known as the Texarkana Court at Law, and limit the jurisdiction and powers of said court; to conform the jurisdiction of the district and inferior courts thereto; to provide for the appointment, election and qualification of a judge and a clerk of said court, and fix their compensation and tenure of office, and define their duties and powers, and to repeal all laws in conflict herewith, and declaring an emergency."

S. B. No. 181, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 3362 of the Revised Civil Statutes of the State of Texas, relating to independent executors, their powers, and so forth," with engrossed rider.

S. B. No. 213, A bill to be entitled "An Act to provide for the organization or admission and regulation and taxation of incorporated mutual insurance companies, and declaring an emergency."

S. B. No. 222, A bill to be entitled "An Act creating and establishing the Santa Cruz Independent School District in Nueces county, Texas, defining its boundaries, providing for the election and qualification of trustees therefor and vesting said district with the rights, powers, duties and privileges of districts incorporated under general law for free school purposes, and declaring an emergency."

S. B. No. 324, A bill to be entitled "An Act amending Article 993, Penal Code, so as to make it unlawful for any person, corporation or company engaged in the manufacture or sale of electricity, water or gas, or officer or employe thereof, to knowingly permit or cause any light, water or gas meter to register greater than the true amount of light, electricity, water or gas sold or furnished any customer, and declaring an emergency," with engrossed rider.

S. B. No. 343, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Section 7, Chapter 104, General Laws passed at the Regular Session of the Thirty-seventh Legislature, creating and establishing four counties out of the territory embraced in the counties of Cameron, Hidalgo and Willacy, so as to provide for the collection of delinquent taxes in the new county as created and defined in the last paragraph of Section 1 of said chapter

by the proper officer of said county, and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 266, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Chapter 3, Special Laws of the Thirty-fifth Legislature, enacted at its Regular Session, creating the Hearne Independent School District; the said amendment providing for redefining the boundaries of said school district and providing for the extension of said district and the annexation of adjacent territory thereto; providing for retention in office of present board of trustees and confirming the rights of the present board of trustees under the general laws of the State; validating all taxes and bonds now in force; providing for elections to determine (1) whether or not the indebtedness of the Hearne Independent School District, (2) of the additional territory annexed by this act, shall be assumed by the Hearne School District as extended by this act, and (3) whether or not the taxes for the district shall be levied, assessed and collected on all property in said district as extended by this act, and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 350, A bill to be entitled "An Act to create the Granbury Independent School District in Hood county, Texas, including the present Granbury district of said county; providing for a board of trustees therefor; vesting said independent school district and board of trustees with all the rights, powers, privileges and duties conferred upon independent school districts incorporated under the general laws of Texas; providing that the board of trustees of the present Granbury district shall continue to act as such until their successors are elected in accordance with the general laws of Texas, and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 415, A bill to be entitled "An Act to create the Laparita Valley Independent School District out of a part of the Charlotte Independent School District, and a part of the Jourdanton Independent School District, in Atascosa county, Texas; defining the metes and bounds and providing for a board of trustees therefor, and defining their powers and duties; vesting it with all the rights and duties of districts incorporated for free school purposes under the general laws of the State of Texas; providing for the payment by the Laparita Valley Independent School District of the pro rata share of the bonded indebtedness of the Charlotte Independent School District, and of the Jour-

danton Independent School District, respectively, and validating said obligations; providing for commissioners of estimate, and fix said pro rata share of said bonded indebtedness, and providing for the compensation of said commissioners; repealing all special laws in so far as they conflict herewith, and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 432, A bill to be entitled "An Act creating the Green Lake Common School District No. 8 in Roberts county, Texas; defining its boundaries; investing said district with rights, privileges and duties of a common school district under the general laws, and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 455, A bill to be entitled "An Act repealing Chapter 96 of the Special Law passed at the Third Called Session of the Thirty-sixth Legislature of the State of Texas, and now recreating the Sharp Independent School District in Milam county, Texas, and placing said district under the general laws governing the school districts incorporated for school purposes only under the general laws of Texas; providing for a board of trustees; providing that this act shall not invalidate local school taxes heretofore voted by the previously existing Common School District No. 76 of Milam county, nor of the previous Sharp Independent School District, and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 456, A bill to be entitled "An Act transferring certain lands from Johnson Independent School District in Terry county, Texas, to and making same a part of Harris Common School District No. 18 in Terry county, Texas; providing that the county school trustees of Terry county shall re-define the boundaries of said Johnson Independent School District and Harris Common School District No. 18 and cause correct field notes of each of said districts to be recorded in the proper records of Terry county, and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 477, A bill to be entitled "An Act taking certain territory from the Estelline Independent School District in Hall county, and from Parnell Common School District No. 18 in Hall county and adding same to Hulver Common School District No. 5 in Hall county; providing for an election at which the qualified taxpaying voters of said Hulver District, as thus enlarged, may determine whether it shall assume and be taxed to pay the pro rata portion

of taxes, which the said territory taken from said adjacent districts may be subject to on account of any outstanding school house bond issues previously made by such districts, and whether the property in said Hulver District, as enlarged, shall all be subject to any special school taxes previously voted by said Hulver District, and whether the property of such district, as so enlarged, shall be subject to taxes for the support of any previous bond issue by said Hulver District; providing for the defining of the boundary lines of said district, as thus enlarged; specifying the jurisdiction which the county board of school trustees shall have with respect to the boundaries and territory of such enlarged district, and declaring an emergency."

The Senate has adopted the Conference Committee report on Senate bill No. 110.

Respectfully,

RICHARD BLALOCK, -

Assistant Secretary of the Senate.

BILLS SIGNED BY THE SPEAKER.

The Speaker signed, in the presence of the House, after giving due notice thereof and their captions had been read severally, the following enrolled bills:

S. B. No. 335, "An Act creating additional and adequate courts for Dallas county; defining their jurisdiction; adjusting the business of the existing district courts to the business thereof; prescribing the duties of the district clerk with respect thereto; repealing all laws in conflict therewith, and declaring an emergency."

S. B. No. 158, "An Act to amend Chapter 33, of the General Laws of the Third Called Session of the Thirty-sixth Legislature of 1920, denominated 'An Act to create the Ninety-first Judicial District; fixing its jurisdiction and time of holding court therein; providing for the appointment by the Governor of a judge for said Ninety-first District; providing that the district clerk and county attorney of Eastland county each shall be officers of said Ninety-first District Court and fixing their compensation for services rendered therein; providing for transfer of cases from and to the Ninety-first Judicial District Court and the Eighty-eighth Judicial District Court, from one court to the other, requiring notice of such transfer of cases in certain instances to be

given; providing that suits shall be alternately filed in said Ninety-first Judicial District Court of Eastland, and the Eighty-eighth Judicial District Court of Eastland county; providing that no grand jury in said Ninety-first District Court of Eastland county shall be organized unless it is specially ordered by the judge of the Ninety-first District, providing that from and after the first day of January of the year 1925, said Ninety-first Judicial District Court shall cease to exist; declaring that an emergency exists requiring the immediate passage of this act."

S. B. No. 42. "An Act requiring hotel owners or keepers to post in each room a card or sign stating the price per day for such room; prohibiting any advances in prices within thirty days; compelling hotels to furnish guests with tickets showing prices of rooms; fixing penalty, and declaring an emergency."

S. B. No. 117. "An Act to amend Article 1623 of the Revised Civil Statutes of Texas."

S. B. No. 118. "An Act to amend Article 1620 of the Revised Civil Statutes of Texas."

S. B. No. 115. "An Act to amend Article 1591 of the 1911 Revised Civil Statutes of Texas."

H. B. No. 295. "An Act to amend Section 72 of Chapter 87 of the Acts of the Regular Session of the Thirty-fifth Legislature, providing for the election of directors of water improvement districts, and that in certain specified districts such directors shall be appointed by the county commissioners court, such districts being those which contain not to exceed twelve thousand acres of land, but who live within the county in which such district is located; providing time of appointment of such directors, and that petitions may be filed with said court by the land owners asking for appointment of certain persons as directors, and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 367. "An Act to amend an act passed by the Thirty-second Legislature of the State of Texas at its Regular Session creating the county court of Bexar county for civil cases, by House bill No. 114, approved on February 20, 1911, as found on pages 15, 16 and 17 of the session laws of said Legislature, by adding another section thereto, to-wit: Section 12a, providing for the appointment of an official shorthand reporter for said court for the purpose of preserving a record in all cases tried in said causes; providing for the salary

and fees of such shorthand reporter, and providing for additional costs to be taxed in each case now pending and hereafter to be filed in said court, and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 225. "An Act to prohibit the hunting, trapping, ensnaring or killing of any wild deer, buck, doe or fawn within the limits of the county of Bosque, State of Texas, for a period of five years from and after the passage of this act, and providing a penalty therefor, and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 335. "An Act amending Sections 3, 5 and 6 of Chapter 33 of the General Laws of the State of Texas, passed by the Thirty-seventh Legislature at its Regular Session, approved March 18, 1921, which was an act entitled 'An Act reorganizing and adjusting the Fourth and Seventy-first Judicial Districts of Texas, incorporating Gregg county in the Seventy-first Judicial District and fixing the time of holding court in each of the several counties of said two districts and providing for the proper administration of said courts, and declaring an emergency,' the purpose of this amendment being to amend Section 3 of said act so as to rearrange the times of holding courts in the Seventy-first Judicial District of Texas, which composes Harrison and Gregg counties, and making provision for the validity of process and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 478. "An Act creating an independent school district to be known as the Riverdale Independent School District in Goliad county, and to provide for a board of trustees and other officers of such district; to authorize the board of trustees to levy and assess and collect special taxes, and to issue and dispose of bonds of such district for the purpose of purchasing school sites, and erecting, repairing, furnishing and equipping school buildings within the same, and to pay current expenses in the maintenance and support of the public schools therein, and to further prescribe the duties and authority of the board of trustees, and declaring an emergency."

S. B. No. 298. "An Act creating, establishing and incorporating Carlson Common School District No. 16 in Hidalgo county, Texas, containing a portion of the territory in Hidalgo county, Texas, heretofore embraced in Panchita Common School District No. 2, describing the metes and bounds thereof, and declaring an emergency."

HOUSE BILL NO. 565 ON THIRD
READING.

Mr. Cable moved that the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days be suspended and that House bill No. 565 be placed on its third reading and final passage.

The motion prevailed by the following vote:

Yeas—97.

Mr. Speaker.	Loftin.
Abney.	McBride.
Amsler.	McDaniel.
Arnold.	McFarlane.
Baldwin.	McKean.
Barker.	McNatt.
Barrett.	Martin.
Beasley.	Maxwell.
Bell.	Melson.
Bird.	Miller.
Blount.	Montgomery.
Bonham.	Moore.
Brady.	Morgan
Bryant.	of Liberty.
Burmeister.	Pate.
Cable.	Patman.
Carpenter	Perdue.
of Matagorda.	Pinkston.
Carson.	Potter.
Carter of Coke.	Price.
Chitwood.	Purl.
Coffee.	Quinn.
Collins.	Robinson.
Covey.	Rowland.
Crawford.	Russell of Trinity.
DeBerry.	Sackett.
Dinkle.	Sanford.
Dodd.	Satterwhite.
Downs.	Shearer.
Driggers.	Simpson.
Duffey.	Smith.
Dunn.	Stewart of Jasper.
Edwards.	Stewart
Faubion.	of Edwards.
Finlay.	Stewart of Reeves.
Gipson.	Storey.
Greer.	Stroder.
Hardin of Erath.	Sweet.
Henderson	Teer.
of Marion.	Thompson.
Henderson	Thrasher.
of McLennan.	Turner.
Howeth.	Vaughan.
Irwin.	Wallace.
Jacks.	Wells.
Jennings.	Wessels.
Lackey.	Williamson.
Laird.	Wilmons.
Lamb.	Wilson.
Lane.	Winfree.
LeStourgeon.	Young.

Nays—7.

Atkinson. Fields.

LeMaster.
Rice.
Sparkman.Stell.
Westbrook.

Present—Not Voting.

Harris.

Absent.

Avis.	Hughes.
Baker of Orange.	Johnson.
Bobbitt.	Jones.
Carpenter	Kemble.
of Dallas.	Lewis.
Cowen.	Looney.
Culp.	McDonald.
Davenport.	Mathes.
Davis.	Merriman.
Dielmann.	Merritt.
Dunlap.	Pool.
Durham.	Pope.
Frnka.	Quaid.
Fugler.	Rogers.
Green.	Rountree.
Harrington.	Shires.
Hendricks.	Stevens.
Houston.	

Absent—Excused.

Baker of Milam.	Morgan
Carter of Hays.	of Robertson.
Hardin	Patterson.
of Kaufman.	Russell
Hull.	of Callahan.
Lusk.	Stiernberg.
	Strickland.

The Speaker then laid House bill No. 565 before the House on its third reading and final passage.

The bill was read third time and was passed by the following vote:

Yeas—102.

Mr. Speaker.	Crawford.
Amsler.	Dinkle.
Arnold.	Dodd.
Baldwin.	Downs.
Barker.	Driggers.
Beasley.	Duffey.
Bell.	Dunlap.
Bird.	Dunn.
Blount.	Edwards.
Bonham.	Faubion.
Brady.	Finlay.
Bryant.	Gipson.
Burmeister.	Green.
Cable.	Greer.
Carpenter	Hardin of Erath.
of Matagorda.	Harris.
Carson.	Henderson
Chitwood.	of Marion.
Coffee.	Henderson
Collins.	of McLennan.
Covey.	Hendricks.
Cowen.	Howeth.

Irwin.	Rogers.
Jacks.	Rowland.
Jennings.	Russell of Trinity.
Kemble.	Sackett.
Lackey.	Sanford.
Laird.	Satterwhite.
Lamb.	Shearer.
Lane.	Shires.
LeMaster.	Simpson.
LeStourgeon.	Smith.
Loftin.	Sparkman.
McBride.	Stell.
McDaniel.	Stevens.
McDonald.	Stewart of Jasper.
McFarlane.	Stewart of Reeves.
McNatt.	Storey.
Martin.	Stroder.
Maxwell.	Sweet.
Melson.	Teer.
Miller.	Thompson.
Montgomery.	Thrasher.
Moore.	Turner.
Morgan	Vaughan.
of Liberty.	Wallace.
Pate.	Wells.
Patman.	Westbrook.
Perdue.	Williamson.
Pinkston.	Wilmans.
Potter.	Wilson.
Purl.	Winfree.
Quinn.	Young.
Robinson.	

Nays—8.

Atkinson.	Rice.
DeBerry.	Stewart
Fields.	of Edwards.
Looney.	Wessels.
McKean.	

Present—Not Voting.

Abney.

Absent.

Avis.	Houston.
Baker of Orange.	Hughes.
Barrett.	Hull.
Bobbitt.	Johnson.
Carpenter	Jones.
of Dallas.	Lewis.
Carter of Coke.	Mathes.
Culp.	Merriman.
Davenport.	Merritt.
Davis.	Pool.
Dielmann.	Pope.
Durham.	Price.
Frnka.	Quaid.
Fugler.	Rountree.
Harrington.	

Absent—Excused.

Baker of Milam.	Lusk.
Carter of Hays.	Morgan
Hardin	of Robertson.
of Kaufman.	Patterson.

Russell	Stiernberg.
of Callahan.	Strickland.

CONFERENCE COMMITTEE REPORT ON SENATE BILL NO. 110.

Mr. Price called up for consideration at this time the following report:

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, February 23, 1923.

Hon. T. W. Davidson, President of the Senate, and Hon. R. E. Seagler, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sirs: Your Free Conference Committee, to whom was referred Senate bill No. 110, have carefully considered the same and beg leave to report the following:

We recommend that the House recede from its amendment and that in lieu thereof the following amendment be adopted:

"Amend Senate bill No. 110 (H. B. No. 210) page 1, by striking out all of Article 375 beginning on line 22 down to the word "the" in line 28, and insert in lieu thereof the following:

"Article 375. The capital stock which shall be fully paid up shall not be less than seventeen thousand and five hundred dollars for banks located in towns and villages having less than eight hundred inhabitants, nor less than twenty-five thousand dollars for banks located in towns and cities having eight hundred inhabitants and less than ten thousand inhabitants, nor less than fifty thousand dollars for banks located in towns and cities having ten thousand inhabitants and less than twenty thousand inhabitants, nor less than one hundred thousand dollars in towns and cities having twenty thousand inhabitants or more."

HOLBROOK,
WIRTZ,
WITT,
ROGERS,

On the part of the Senate.

PRICE,
PATMAN,
LOFTIN,

On the part of the House.

Mr. Price moved that the conference committee report be adopted.

Yeas and nays were demanded and the report was adopted by the following vote:

Yeas—101.

Mr. Speaker.	Arnold.
Amsler.	Baldwin.

Barker.	Looney.
Barrett.	McBride.
Beasley.	McDaniel.
Bell.	McFarlane.
Blount.	McNatt.
Bonham.	Martin.
Burmeister.	Melson.
Carpenter	Miller.
of Matagorda.	Montgomery.
Carson.	Moore.
Carter of Coke.	Morgan
Chitwood.	of Liberty.
Coffee.	Pate.
Collins.	Patman.
Covey.	Perdue.
Cowen.	Pinkston.
Crawford.	Potter.
DeBerry.	Price.
Dinkle.	Purl.
Dodd.	Quinn.
Downs.	Rice.
Driggers.	Robinson.
Duffey.	Rowland.
Dunlap.	Russell of Trinity.
Dunn.	Sackett.
Edwards.	Sanford.
Faubion.	Satterwhite.
Fields.	Shearer.
Finlay.	Shires.
Fugler.	Simpson.
Gipson.	Sparkman.
Green.	Stell.
Greer.	Stevens.
Hardin of Erath.	Stewart
Henderson	of Edwards.
of Marion.	Stewart of Jasper.
Henderson	Stewart of Reeves.
of McLennan.	Stroder.
Hendricks.	Sweet.
Howeth.	Teer.
Irwin.	Thompson.
Jacks.	Thrasher.
Jennings.	Turner.
Kemble.	Vaughan.
Lackey.	Wells.
Laird.	Westbrook.
Lamb.	Williamson.
Lane.	Wilmans.
LeMaster.	Wilson.
LeStourgeon.	Winfree.
Loftin.	Young.

Nays—11.

Abney.	Mathes.
Atkinson.	Maxwell.
Bird.	Smith.
Bryant.	Storey.
Cable.	Wessels
Davis.	

Present—Not Voting.

Harris.

Absent.

Avia.	Bobbitt.
Baker of Orange.	Brady.

Carpenter	Lewis.
of Dallas.	McDonald.
Culp.	McKean.
Davenport.	Merriman.
Diemann.	Merritt.
Durham.	Pool.
Frka.	Pope.
Harrington.	Quaid.
Houston.	Rogers.
Hughes.	Rountree.
Johnson.	Wallace.
Jones.	

Absent—Excused.

Baker of Milam.	Patterson.
Carter of Hays.	Russell
Hardin	of Callahan.
of Kaufman.	Stiernberg.
Hull.	Strickland.
Lusk.	
Morgan	
of Robertson.	

HOUSE BILL NO. 399 ON SECOND
READING.

On motion of Mr. Bonham, by unanimous consent, the regular order of business was suspended to take up and have placed on its second reading and passage to engrossment.

H. B. No. 399. A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 1585 of Chapter 2, Title 32 of the Revised Civil Statutes of Texas of 1911, fixing the terms of Courts of Civil Appeals."

The Speaker laid the bill before the House, it was read second time and was passed to engrossment.

HOUSE BILL NO. 535 ON SECOND
READING.

On motion of Mr. Williamson, by unanimous consent, the regular order of business was suspended to take up and have placed on its second reading and passage to engrossment.

H. B. No. 535, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Sections 20 and 21 of Chapter 207, General Laws of the Regular Session of the Thirty-fifth Legislature, 1917, fixing the rate of speed for automobiles upon public highways of the State and within the corporate limits of any incorporated cities or towns and within the boundaries of towns and villages not incorporated; prescribing penalties for violations of the provisions of the act; repealing all laws or parts of laws in conflict with its provisions."

The Speaker laid the bill before the House and it was read second time.

Mr. Williamson offered the following amendments to the bill:

(1)

Amend House bill No. 535 (printed bill), page 1, line 15, by striking out the figures "20" and inserting in lieu thereof the figure "1," and in line 38, page 1, by striking out the figures "21" and inserting in lieu thereof the figure "2."

(2)

Amend House bill No. 535 by adding thereto two new sections to be known as Sections 2 and 3, which shall read as follows:

Sec. 2. Speed Limits on Commercial Motor Vehicles. — Commercial motor vehicles of the kinds and weights specified in this section shall not be operated on the public highways of this State at a greater rate of speed than herein prescribed, as follows:

(a) Commercial motor vehicles equipped with pneumatic tires or cushion wheels:	
Weight in pounds, including gross weight of vehicle and load.	Speed limit miles per hour.
2,000-4,000	18
4,001-8,000	15
8,001-12,000	12
12,000-16,000	12
16,000-20,000	10

(b) Commercial motor vehicles equipped with solid rubber tires:

Weight in pounds, including gross weight of vehicle and load.	Speed limit miles per hour.
2,001-4,000	16
4,001-8,000	14
8,001-16,000	12
16,001-22,000	10

Any person who shall operate a commercial motor vehicle at a greater rate of speed than that herein allowed shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and punished by a fine of not less than ten (\$10) dollars nor more than two hundred (\$200) dollars or imprisonment in the county jail not more than thirty (30) days.

Sec. 3. Section 3 of Chapter 131 of the General Laws of the Regular Session of the Thirty-seventh Legislature, as amended by the General Laws of the First Called Session of the Thirty-seventh Legislature be and the same is hereby expressly repealed.

(3)

Amend House bill No. 535, page 2,

by striking out lines 16 and 17 and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

Sec. 4. Sections 20 and 21 of Chapter 207, General Laws of the Regular Session of the Thirty-fifth Legislature, and Section 3 of Chapter 131, General Laws of the Regular Session of the Thirty-seventh Legislature as amended by Chapter 52 (H. B. No. 32), General Laws of the First Called Session of the Thirty-seventh Legislature and all other laws and parts of laws in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

Sec. 5. The fact that the present law prescribing speed limitations for motor vehicles and providing penalties for the violation of said limitations is inadequate creates an emergency, and an imperative public necessity calls for the suspension of the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days in each house and said rule is hereby suspended and this act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and it is so enacted.

(4)

Amend the caption of House bill No. 535, by striking out in line 9, page 1, the word "automobiles," and inserting in lieu thereof the words "motor vehicles."

The amendments were severally adopted.

Mr. Abney offered the following amendment to the bill:

Amend House bill No. 535 by striking out from line 25, page 1, the words "thirty-five," and insert the words "twenty-five."

The amendment was lost.

House bill No. 535 was then passed to engrossment.

HOUSE BILL NO. 535 ON THIRD READING.

Mr. Williamson moved that the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days be suspended, and that House bill No. 535 be placed on its third reading and final passage.

The motion prevailed by the following vote:

Yeas—105.

Mr. Speaker.	Beasley.
Abney.	Bell.
Amsler.	Bird.
Arnold.	Blount.
Baker of Orange.	Bonham.
Baldwin.	Brady.
Barker.	Bryant.

Burmeister.	McFarlane.
Cable.	McKean.
Carpenter	McNatt.
of Matagorda.	Martin.
Carson.	Maxwell.
Carter of Coke.	Melson.
Chitwood.	Montgomery.
Coffee.	Moore.
Collins.	Pate.
Covey.	Patman.
Cowen.	Perdue.
Crawford.	Pinkston.
Davis.	Potter.
DeBerry.	Price.
Dinkle.	Purl.
Dodd.	Quinn.
Downs.	Rice.
Driggers.	Robinson.
Duffey.	Rogers.
Dunlap.	Rowland.
Dunn.	Russell of Trinity.
Edwards.	Sackett.
Faubion.	Sanford.
Fugler.	Satterwhite.
Gipson.	Shearer.
Green.	Shires.
Greer.	Simpson.
Hardin of Erath.	Smith.
Harris.	Sparkman.
Henderson	Stall.
of Marion.	Stevens.
Henderson	Stewart of Jasper.
of McLennan.	Stewart of Reeves.
Howeth.	Storey.
Irwin.	Stroder.
Jones.	Teer.
Kemble.	Thompson.
Lackey.	Thrasher.
Laird.	Vaughan.
Lamb.	Wells.
Lane.	Westbrook.
LeMaster.	Wessels.
LeSturgeon.	Williamson.
Lewis.	Wilms.
Loftin.	Wilson.
McBride.	Winfree.
McDaniel.	Young.
McDonald.	

Nays—5.

Finlay.	Mathes.
Jennings.	Turner.
Looney.	

Present—Not Voting.

Fields.

Absent.

Atkinson.	Durham.
Avis.	Frnka.
Barrett.	Harrington.
Bobbitt.	Hendricks.
Carpenter	Houston.
of Dallas.	Hughes.
Culp.	Jacks.
Davenport.	Johnson.
Diehlmann.	Merriman.

Merritt.	Quaid.
Miller.	Rountree.
Morgan	Stewart
of Robertson.	of Edwards.
Pool.	Sweet.
Pope.	Wallace.

Absent—Excused.

Baker of Milam.	Patterson.
Carter of Hays.	Russell
Hardin	of Callahan.
of Kaufman.	Stiernberg.
Hull.	Strickland.
Lusk.	
Morgan	
of Liberty.	

The Speaker then laid House bill No. 535 before the House on its third reading and final passage.

The bill was read third time, and was passed by the following vote:

Yeas—88.

Amaler.	Kemble.
Arnold.	Lackey.
Baker of Orange.	Laird.
Baldwin.	Lamb.
Barker.	Lane.
Beasley.	LeSturgeon.
Bell.	McBride.
Bird.	McDaniel.
Blount.	McFarlane.
Bonham.	McKean.
Brady.	McNatt.
Bryant.	Martin.
Burmeister.	Melson.
Cable.	Montgomery.
Carpenter	Moore.
of Matagorda.	Pate.
Carter of Coke.	Patman.
Chitwood.	Perdue.
Coffee.	Pinkston.
Collins.	Potter.
Cowen.	Price.
Crawford.	Purl.
DeBerry.	Quinn.
Dinkle.	Rice.
Dodd.	Robinson.
Downs.	Rogers.
Driggers.	Rowland.
Duffey.	Russell of Trinity.
Dunlap.	Sackett.
Dunn.	Satterwhite.
Edwards.	Shearer.
Faubion.	Shires.
Fugler.	Simpson.
Green.	Smith.
Greer.	Sparkman.
Hardin of Erath.	Stall.
Harris.	Stewart
Henderson	of Edwards.
of Marion.	Stewart of Jasper.
Irwin.	Stewart of Reeves.
Jones.	Stroder.

Teer.
Thompson.
Wells.
Westbrook.

Williamson.
Wilmans.
Wilson.
Winfree.

Nays—23.

Abney.
Barrett.
Carson.
Covey.
Davis.
Fields.
Finlay.
Henderson
of McLennan.
Howeth.
Jennings.
LeMaster.

Loftin.
Looney.
Mathes.
Maxwell.
Stevens.
Storey.
Thrasher.
Turner.
Vaughan.
Wessels.
Young.

Absent.

Atkinson.
Avis.
Bobbitt.
Carpenter
of Dallas.
Culp.
Davenport.
Dielmann.
Durham.
Frnka.
Gipson.
Harrington.
Hendricks.
Houston.
Hughes.
Jacks.

Johnson.
Lewis.
McDonald.
Merriman.
Merritt.
Miller.
Morgan
of Liberty.
Pool.
Pope.
Quaid.
Rountree.
Sanford.
Sweet.
Wallace.

Absent—Excused.

Baker of Milam.
Carter of Hays.
Hardin
of Kaufman.
Hull.
Lusk.
Morgan
of Robertson.

Patterson.
Russell
of Callahan.
Stiernberg.
Strickland.

Mr. Williamson moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill was passed and to table the motion to reconsider. The motion to table prevailed.

SENATE BILL NO. 314 ON SECOND READING.

On motion of Mr. Satterwhite, by unanimous consent, the regular order of business was suspended to take up and have placed on its second reading and passage to third reading.

S. B. No. 314, A bill to be entitled "An Act authorizing the Gulf, Colorado and Santa Fe Railway Company to purchase, own and operate the railroad and other property, with its franchise and

appurtenances now or hereafter owned by Galveston and Western Railway Company in the city of Galveston, State of Texas, west of the east line of Thirty-eighth street, or any part of the city of Galveston now existing or hereafter passed relating to rights or franchises in the streets of said city west of the east line of said Thirty-eighth street, and declaring an emergency."

The Speaker laid the bill before the House, it was read second time, and was passed to third reading.

SENATE BILL NO. 314 ON THIRD READING.

Mr. Satterwhite moved that the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days be suspended, and that Senate bill No. 314 be placed on its third reading and final passage.

The motion prevailed by the following vote:

Yeas—103.

Mr. Speaker.	Irwin.
Abney.	Jennings.
Arnold.	Jones.
Baker of Orange.	Kemble.
Baldwin.	Lackey.
Barker.	Laird.
Barrett.	Lamb.
Beasley.	Lane.
Bell.	LeMaster.
Bird.	LeSturgeon.
Brady.	Loftin.
Bryant.	Looney.
Burmeister.	McBride.
Carpenter	McDaniel.
of Matagorda.	McFarlane.
Carson.	McKean.
Chitwood.	McNatt.
Coffee.	Martin.
Collins.	Mathes.
Covey.	Maxwell.
Cowen.	Melson.
Crawford.	Miller.
DeBerry.	Montgomery.
Dinkle.	Moore.
Dodd.	Morgan
Downs.	of Liberty.
Driggers.	Pate.
Duffey.	Patman.
Dunlap.	Perdue.
Dunn.	Pinkston.
Edwards.	Potter.
Faubion.	Price.
Fields.	Purl.
Fugler.	Quaid.
Green.	Quinn.
Greer.	Robinson.
Hardin of Erath.	Rogers.
Harris.	Rowland.
Henderson	Russell of Trinity.
of Marion.	Sackett.

Sanford.	Teer.
Satterwhite.	Thompson.
Shearer.	Thrasher.
Shires.	Turner.
Simpson.	Vaughan.
Smith.	Wells.
Sparkman.	Westbrook.
Stell.	Wessels.
Stewart	Williamson.
of Edwards.	Wilmans.
Stewart of Jasper.	Wilson.
Stewart of Reeves.	Winfree.
Storey.	Young.
Stroder.	

Nays—6.

Amsler.	Henderson
Cable.	of McLennan.
Davis.	Howeth.
Finlay.	

Absent.

Atkinson.	Houston.
Avis.	Hughes.
Blount.	Jacks.
Bobbitt.	Johnson.
Bonham.	Lewis.
Carpenter	McDonald.
of Dallas.	Merriman.
Carter of Coke.	Merritt.
Culp.	Patterson.
Davenport.	Pool.
Dielmann.	Pope.
Durham.	Rice.
Frnka.	Rountree.
Gipson.	Stevens.
Harrington.	Sweet.
Hendricks.	Wallace.

Absent—Excused.

Baker of Milam.	Morgan
Carter of Hays.	of Robertson.
Hardin	Russell
of Kaufman.	of Callahan.
Hull.	Stiernberg.
Lusk.	Strickland.

The Speaker then laid Senate bill No. 314 before the House on its third reading and final passage.

The bill was read third time and was passed by the following vote:

Yeas—104.

Mr. Speaker.	Brady.
Abney.	Bryant.
Amsler.	Burmeister.
Arnold.	Cable.
Baker of Orange.	Carpenter
Baldwin.	of Matagorda.
Barker.	Carson.
Barrett.	Chitwood.
Beasley.	Coffee.
Bell.	Collins.
Bonham.	Covey.

Cowen.	Morgan
Crawford.	of Liberty.
Davis.	Pate.
DeBerry.	Patman.
Dinkle.	Perdue.
Dodd.	Pinkston.
Downs.	Price.
Driggers.	Purl.
Duffey.	Quaid.
Dunlap.	Quinn.
Dunn.	Rice.
Edwards.	Robinson.
Fields.	Rogers.
Fugler.	Rowland.
Green.	Russell of Trinity.
Greer.	Sackett.
Hardin of Erath.	Sanford.
Harris.	Satterwhite.
Henderson	Shearer.
of Marion.	Shires.
Henderson	Simpson.
of McLennan.	Smith.
Irwin.	Sparkman.
Jennings.	Stell.
Jones.	Stevens.
Kemble.	Stewart
Lackey.	of Edwards.
Laird.	Stewart of Jasper.
Lamb.	Stewart of Reeves.
LeMaster.	Storey.
LeSturgeon.	Stroder.
Loftin.	Teer.
Looney.	Thompson.
McBride.	Thrasher.
McDaniel.	Turner.
McFarlane.	Vaughan.
McKean.	Wells.
McNatt.	Westbrook.
Martin.	Wessels.
Mathes.	Williamson.
Maxwell.	Wilmans.
Melson.	Wilson.
Miller.	Winfree.
Montgomery.	Young.
Moore.	

Nays—3.

Howeth.

Absent.

Bird.	
Finlay.	
Atkinson.	Houston.
Avis.	Hughes.
Blount.	Jacks.
Bobbitt.	Johnson.
Carpenter	Lane.
of Dallas.	Lewis.
Carter of Coke.	McDonald.
Culp.	Merriman.
Davenport.	Merritt.
Dielmann.	Pool.
Durham.	Pope.
Faubion.	Potter.
Frnka.	Rountree.
Gipson.	Sweet.
Harrington.	Wallace.
Hendricks.	

Absent—Excused.

Baker of Milam. Patterson.
Carter of Hays. Russell.
Hardin of Callahan.
of Kaufman. Stiernberg.
Hull. Strickland.
Lusk.
Morgan
of Robertson.

Mr. Satterwhite moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill was passed, and to table the motion to reconsider. The motion to table prevailed.

NOTICE GIVEN.

Mrs. Wilmans gave notice that she would on tomorrow call up, for consideration at that time, House bill No. 86.

Mr. Stewart of Edwards gave notice that he would on tomorrow call up, for consideration at that time, House bill No. 97.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

Senate Chamber,
Austin, Texas, February 23, 1923.
Hon. R. E. Seagler, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: I am directed by the Senate to inform the House that the Senate has granted the request of the House to return Senate bill No. 52 for further consideration and herewith return same.

Respectfully,
RICHARD BLALOCK,
Assistant Secretary of the Senate.

ADJOURNMENT.

Mr. Jones moved that the House adjourn until 10 o'clock a. m. tomorrow.

Mr. Purl moved that the House adjourn until 10 o'clock a. m. next Monday.

The motion of Mr. Jones prevailed and the House, accordingly, at 6:10 o'clock p. m., adjourned until 10 o'clock a. m. tomorrow.

APPENDIX.

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS.

The following committees have filed favorable reports on bills, as follows:

Judiciary—House bills Nos. 392, 599.
Judicial Districts—House bill No. 618.

Public Health—House bills Nos. 624, 613.

Game and Fisheries—House bill No. 617.

Roads, Bridges and Ferries—House bill No. 435.

Common Carriers—Senate bills Nos. 220, 314, 54.

The following committees have filed unfavorable reports on bills, as follows:

Common Carriers—House bill No. 573.

Roads, Bridges and Ferries—House bills Nos. 581, 488, 625, 579, 580.

Judiciary—House bill No. 591.

THIRTY-FOURTH DAY.

(Saturday, February 24, 1923.)

The House met at 10 o'clock a. m., pursuant to adjournment, and was called to order by Speaker Seagler.

The roll was called and the following members were present:

Abney.	Faubion.
Amsler.	Fields.
Arnold.	Finlay.
Atkinson.	Frnka.
Avis.	Fugler.
Baker of Orange.	Gipson.
Baldwin.	Greer.
Barker.	Harrington.
Barrett.	Harris.
Beasley.	Henderson
Bell.	of Marion.
Bird.	Henderson
Blount.	of McLennan.
Bonham.	Hendricks.
Brady.	Howeth.
Bryant.	Irwin.
Burmeister.	Jacks.
Cable.	Jennings.
Carpenter	Jones.
of Matagorda.	Kemble.
Carson.	Lackey.
Carter of Coke.	Laird.
Chitwood.	Lamb.
Coffee.	Lane.
Collins.	LeMaster.
Covey.	LeStourgeon.
Cowen.	Lewis.
Crawford.	Loftin.
Culp.	Looney.
Davis.	McBride.
DeBerry.	McDaniel.
Dinkle.	McDonald.
Dodd.	McFarlane.
Downs.	McKean.
Driggers.	McNatt.
Duffey.	Martin.
Dunlap.	Mathes.
Dunn.	Maxwell.
Edwards.	Melson.